



# The Bugle

February 2023

## *A message from Mrs Ramsell ....*

*Another Half Term comes to a close and we've enjoyed some great learning and some wonderful experiences from Young Voices, sporting events, trips and visitors into school.*

*The children have been incredible as always and have made some great progress in all their learning areas. I hope that you recently enjoyed the opportunity to meet with your child's teacher to discuss how things are going and next steps.*

*We are always keen to move forward and I'm delighted with the response we had to our Parent Forum and the new PTFA. We are also looking for a new Parent Governor to join our Governing Board and we would very much welcome your support in this – further details will follow very soon. We have always worked well together as a team at New Swannington Primary School and I very much hope that we can continue to build on these very solid foundations.*

*Wishing you all a very happy Half Term holiday.*



Attendance for this term is currently 96% which, bearing mind the considerable number of infections we have at the moment, is very good. The Winter bugs are sweeping through school at the moment and we know how frustrating it can be when they pick up one after the other. Rest assured, we do everything to encourage healthy practices in school.

## **Progress Evening**

We hope you enjoyed the opportunity to learn about how your children are progressing in school with our Progress Evenings this week. We appreciate that not all parents were able to attend due to other commitments so please do let us know and we can arrange an alternative telephone call/appointment.

**The first day of term is**

**Monday,  
27 February 2023**



## **SIMs App**

Please make sure that you keep your SIMs Parent App up to date to ensure that you continue to receive messages.

As you are aware, we are a paperless school and all messages are sent home via this technology.

## **The Lane**

We are all aware of the situation with parking in the Lane. We have an ongoing conversation between ourselves, the local Police and the local Farmer and have reached an agreement that the vehicles will remain off the Lane.

Road safety is extremely important for all our children so please do ensure that you park respectfully and safely. Do not park on the zig zags and please do not park in front of our neighbours driveways or even in their driveways, as has recently be the case.

Spring is just around the corner now and with the milder weather approaching, it would be a great opportunity to walk to school if you are able.

## PTFA & Parent Forum

We were delighted to have our first PTFA meeting last week where we established ourselves as our fundraising committee and made some great plans for the future. We are always looking for additional help and new members, so please do come along to our next meeting on 10 March 2023. Further details can be found on our website:

<https://www.newswanningtonprimary.org.uk/page/?title=Parent+Teacher+Fundraising+Association+%28PTFA%29&pid=233>

We have also established our Parent Forum this term and are looking forward to our first official meeting on 2 March 2023. No doubt, you have all had contact from your Year Group representative and know the process to raise any items for discussion at these meetings. We look forward to building upon our home/school relationship through this form. Further details can be found on our website:

<https://www.newswanningtonprimary.org.uk/page/?title=Parent+Forum&pid=218>



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Don't forget to use our school website to find out about all sorts of information about school life. Please have a wander through all the tabs to familiarise yourself with what is available to access.

For example, full details of our wonderful curriculum are available in the 'Our Learning' Section and provides a breakdown of all the learning areas, Year Group curriculums and Fact Sheets telling you everything you need to know. Please follow the link:

<https://www.newswanningtonprimary.org.uk/page/?title=Our+Learning&pid=213>



Our Pre-Loved Uniform got off to a great start at the beginning of last term, however, with the arrival of Winter it hasn't been easy to display all of the items outside.

However, now that the weather is improving with the arrival of Spring, we will once again start putting the rails out for everyone to help themselves to replacement uniform.

We are certain that there has been a lot of growing going on!

As previously, everything is completely free of charge so please do come and help yourselves.

## Parental Feedback & Our Children's Voice

Thank you to everyone who was able to complete the Parental Feedback form that we recently sent out via the App. We are always very open to receiving our parental feedback and this has proven to be an excellent way to secure this in a concise manner. We are currently reviewing this data and will make the information available to everyone in due course.

Our school is all about the children and it is essential for us to understand their perceptions/views about day to day life in school. We recently obtained feedback from a cross section of all our children and I am pleased to signpost you to the results below. We are always moving forward and these results help us to focus our future direction.

<https://www.newswanningtonprimary.org.uk/gallery/?pid=9&qcatid=1>

## Sporting Success

We participate in as many sporting events as we can at New Swannington and this half term we've had some great experiences ....



## Trips & Events

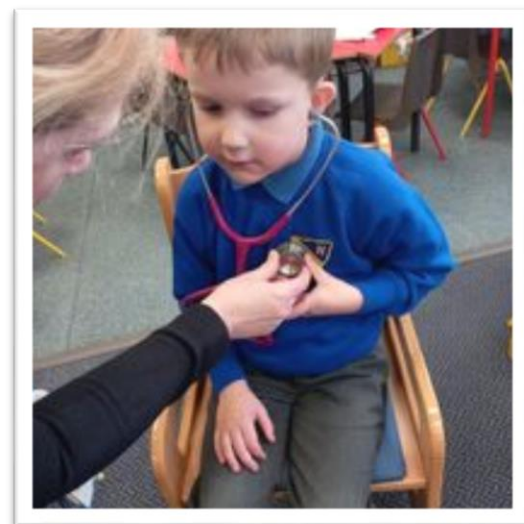
We've also enjoyed some lovely trips and experiences so far this term at Young Voices ....



We had a visit from the Lifebus ....

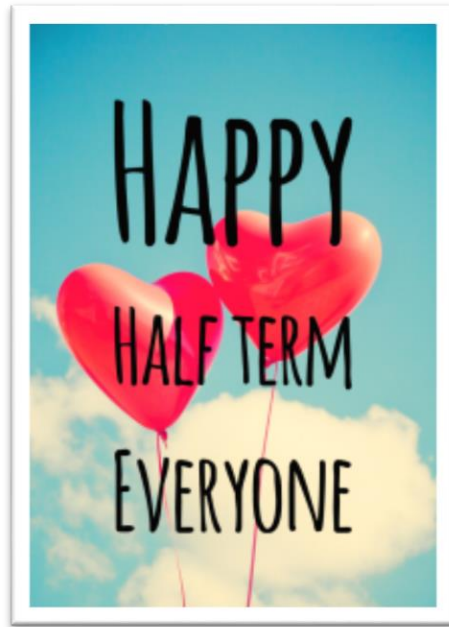


... and Mrs Dennis came to talk to the children in Year 1 about being a Nurse.



## Dates for Diary





*Have a lovely break and  
we'll see you all again soon!*